

What is claimed is:

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1. A piezoelectric/electrostrictive device comprising:

a pair of mutually opposing thin plate sections made of metal and a fixation section for supporting said thin plate sections;

an object attached to forward end portions of said pair of thin plate sections; and

10 one or more piezoelectric/electrostrictive elements arranged on at least one thin plate section of said pair of thin plate sections, wherein:

15 an areal size of a surface of said object opposed to said thin plate section is larger than an areal size of an object attachment surface of said thin plate section.

20 2. The piezoelectric/electrostrictive device according to claim 1, wherein a first adhesive is allowed to intervene between said piezoelectric/electrostrictive element and said thin plate section.

25 3. The piezoelectric/electrostrictive device according to claim 1, wherein said object is secured to said object attachment surface of said thin plate section by the aid of a second adhesive.

4. The piezoelectric/electrostrictive device

according to claim 3, wherein said first adhesive and/or  
said second adhesive is composed of organic resin.

5            5.    The piezoelectric/electrostrictive device  
according to claim 3, wherein said first adhesive and/or  
said second adhesive is composed of glass, brazing material,  
or solder.

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